

## Many Valuable Prizes To Be Awarded In Second Outdoor Lighting Contest

With the Yuletide season at hand, the Jacksonville Journal and Courier and the electrical dealers of the city announce the offer of approximately one hundred and fifty dollars worth of prizes to be given away in the second annual outdoor lighting contest.

Four prizes are again offered for each zone, and in addition to this, a first, second, third and fourth prize will be given for the most unique display, regardless of zone in which the contestants live. The prizes offered for the four best displays in each zone are as follows: first, wattle iron; second, cozy glow heater; third, Westinghouse toaster; fourth, desk lamp. The awards for the four most unique displays in the four zones will be: first, Universal chrome plated percolator; second, chrome plated teacaster; third, egg cooker and eggs; fourth, Westinghouse steam iron.

In judging the various displays it is desired to stress the value of simplicity and quality. It is not necessary for contestants to spend a great amount of money on their lighting displays, but, instead, time, thought, and originality in producing effective, attractive and fitting displays. Suggestions for the lighting and decorations will be gladly given by any of the local electrical dealers who are the Elvins Power and Light, C. A. Siler, Hieronymus Bros., Paul Trabue, Fred Jamison, and the Walsh Electric company.

### Four Zones in City

The city has been divided into four zones. Zone A—All residences east of North Main street and north of East State street. Zone B—Residences west of North Main street and north of West State street. Zone C—The territory lying south of East State street and east of South Main street. Zone D—The residences west of South Main street and south of West State street. The city limit lines are not to be closely drawn. Residents of South Jacksonville will therefore be included in Zones C and D, while those residing west of the city near Meacham Heights will be included in Zone D.

With four prizes to be offered for each of the four zones, each zone will be voted upon separately and those in Zone A will compete with other contestants in Zone A, those in Zone B with others in Zone B, and so on.

### Rules of Contest

- Below are the rules governing the contest:
1. Entrance must be made on the form printed in the Jacksonville Journal and Courier and mailed or handed to the Christmas Home Lighting Contest Office, Jacksonville Journal and Courier.
2. Four prizes consisting of first, second, third and fourth will be awarded for the displays receiving the largest number of votes in each zone.
3. Prizes will be given for the best display with an outside effect.
4. All entrants must be displayed in Jacksonville during the period beginning Dec. 15 through Jan. 1st.
5. Effectiveness, simplicity, attractiveness and appropriateness of the display will be the points of judging.

Purpose: The purpose of the contest is to intensify and demonstrate the holiday spirit. Last year a large number of residents of the city entered the contest and the winners carried away some very beautiful and worthwhile prizes, and it is planned this year to have practically the entire city with varicolored lights. One thing that the committee noted last year was the fact that a large number of homes were decorated but were not entered in the contest, and without doubt some of these would have been chosen by the judges had they been entered in the contest.

Since the President lighted the Christmas tree at the White House in 1893, each year has found more and more people taking up the idea of a lighted tree as a symbol of good will. Communities throughout the country have quickly followed the national example, and even in our own city, each year there are more and more decorated homes. The idea and holiday spirit has so grown that several hundred homes are being lighted here each Christmas season. The prizes are offered to induce a further spread of this spirit.

Look over the materials that you have and then think out some definite scheme for the outdoor display. Just send a little time carefully in the dark and you will be surprised at the results. Some original idea you may have may be carried out so that one of the prizes will be given to you. Too, a number of magazines give hints on decorations for the Yuletide season that you may care to work out according to your own idea.

The committee has made the following suggestions for decorating: Substitute a red lamp for the customary one in the entrance fixture and place a wreath around it. Place electric candles in Christmas stockings in windows.

Color lights on trees, either living trees on the ground or cut ones in the porch.

Postcarding strings of colored lights around the eaves of the house.

Placing colored lights in flower boxes.

Placing illuminated stars over doors or on the roof.

Safety of the displays should be considered and the lighting suggestions have been made by Fire Chief Frank Sullivan.

Use a good quality of cord for the outdoor displays as the ordinary cord is not strong enough.

For outdoor displays use porcelain knobs and have all displays so that if a short does occur no damage will result.

Be careful about overloading the wires.

It is planned to have the home decorations turned on Sunday, December 20th and continue until New Year's night. The Jacksonville Journal and Courier will each day print a list of all the displays and the winners of the contest.

Each day will have an opportunity to vote for the favorite. The ballots are to be either mailed or left at the office of the newspaper. They will be counted by a committee of judges on New Year's Eve and the winners announced New Year's day.

Mean Temperature Absolute Minimum Highest of Record for Month

By Dr. E. P. Norbury

Many readers of the Journal and Courier as I am pleased to say, are "weather minded."

They will be interested in the November weather report just issued by Clarence J. Root, Section Director U. S. Weather Bureau, Springfield.

The mean temperature for the month for the state and the absolute minimum were the highest of record for the month. Individual stations reported the highest temperatures ever experienced so late in the season and a new November high was created at Hillsboro 73° F. At Chicago the first freezing temperature of the season did not occur until November 22nd—the latest of record. The meteorologist at Peoria states that the month was both the warmest and wettest November in the history of the city. The average in 76 years, and that the 18 days, 7th to 24th, averaged 20° above normal, the greatest plus departure for so long a period in any November or January since late average was first computed in 1878. The only year that October months' warmer than 1931 was 1921.

Precipitation.

No November rainfall has had more rainy days than that of 1931 and only in 1823 and 1891 was there more precipitation. At eight stations in the northern division, six in the central and two in the southern, the amounts were the greatest of record for the month. The totals ranged from 3 to 6 inches in both northern and central counties and 4 to 7 inches in the south. The extremes were 7.96 inches at Anna and Carbondale and 2.47 inches at Roberts.

Snow Fall.

In the northern division there were only a few tenths or more traces. In the central division the snowfall ranged from 1 to 6 inches, the greatest being in the eastern counties. In the southern division only traces and none within 50 to 40 miles of the Ohio river.

DEATHS

Paul Wood.

Arthur G. Cody received a telegram Saturday morning telling of the death of Paul Wood, a former Jacksonville resident, at his home in Clayton, Ill. Mr. Wood came to this city as a young man and was employed as assistant to Mr. Wood in the funeral business. Later he went to Clayton and engaged in business of his own.

The decedent was well known by a number of local residents. He visited here last summer.

Surviving are his wife and one child, and his parents who reside at Augusta, Ill.

Public Library Notes.

The following new volumes now on display at the public library will be available to readers on Tuesday:

Torchlight Parade—Sherwin Lawrence Cook.

Studies in the Italian Renaissance—Herbert M. Vaughan.

Forgotten Ladies—Richardson Wright.

The Poem of the Packets—Garnett Landis Eskew.

Our Landlord—Andrew Elliot.

Our Tolerant—Stanley Baldwin.

The Ties and the Other Things—R. T. Trenchard.

Guy Durrin was a caller in this city Saturday afternoon from Chapin.

CONCERT TO BE GIVEN BY MEN'S CHORUS TONIGHT

Arrangement was made of the program of the annual concert of the Men's Chorus of Grace M. E. church Saturday. The program will be given this evening at 7:30 o'clock, at the church, and is as follows:

"Prelude—'Christmas Eve'—Dunn 'I Came Upon the Midnight Clear'—Page 110.

Congregation and Chorus. Scripture Reading. Prayer—By the Pastor.

"The Burning Flame"—A Christmas Carol.

Chorus and Mr. Glen Egan. "Sing O Sing This Blessed Morn'—Rogers.

Howard Potter, Fred Battershell, P. E. Phillips, Wayne Carter.

Chorus—"Columbia Amorosa"—Semor.

Mr. Schwinn, Mr. Lacey.

"Sleep"—Ackley.

Chorus—"Voices of the Sea"—Matthews.

Miss Olds.

There's a Song in the Air"—Page 121, 2nd line.

Congregation and Chorus. Now When Jesus was Born in Bethlehem of Judea—Rogers.

Miss Woods, Miss Olds, Mr. Howard Potter, Mr. Wayne Carter.

Ha. Every One That Thirsteth—Macfarlane.

Miss Woods and Chorus.

"The Star of the Orient"—Shelley.

Mr. Robert V. Shaw.

"Deep River"—Fischer.

Mr. Schwinn, Mr. Lacey.

O Night of Holy Memory—Wilson.

Miss Woods, Mr. Howard Potter, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Battershell.

Mr. Carter.

O Little Town of Bethlehem"—Page 121.

Congregation and Chorus. "Santas from Mass St. Cecilia."

Mr. Howard Potter, Mr. M. E. Gilbert, Elmer.

"Gloria Deo"—C. Dow.

Chorus.

Benediction—Pastor.

Postlude—"Novel"—Gilmant.

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BOOK OUTLINING LIFE DR. HARKER PUBLISHED HERE

"Eventide Memories" by Local Educator Has Facts of Much Interest

"Eventide Memories" by Dr. Joseph R. Harker, the story of the life of one of Jacksonville's most inspirational and noteworthy characters who rose from the coal pits to the presidency of a college, came off the press on Saturday, December 12, a Jacksonville product. This book, filled with facts and tributes which are bound closely into the life of this city, will be received with an interest here which is seldom accorded a single volume.

The outline of Dr. Harker's life, beginning with his early days in England and describing his reorganization and raising to a high standard, Illinois Woman's college, now MacMurray college, which he served as president from 1893 to 1925, is known at least in part to many Jacksonville residents. But in this volume it is set forth with simple but forceful power and together with a picture of Jacksonville, her college and her people which is invaluable to the community.

This edition, published only Saturday, has been limited to 500 copies, 150 of which have already been subscribed by his friends. Following a plan of Dr. Harker, the book was both printed and bound by Jacksonville establishments. The A. B. press handled the printing with the typography and other features designed by John Helmer. Ward Brothers did the binding for the local author.

Urged by Friends to Write.

Dr. Harker's close friends have for a number of years urged him to write the story of his life and to tell something of the remarkable course which he has followed before reaching his present eminent position. His college duties were at the time too pressing, but since his retirement as president of Illinois Woman's college, he has found time to write the series of interesting sketches of his early life in England, his life in the coal pits, his coming to America, his efforts to secure an education, his call to teach, his experiences as superintendent of schools, his work at Whipple Academy and Illinois College, and finally his endeavors at the Illinois Woman's college which he changed from a failing girls school to a prosperous standard college.

The physical makeup of the book is appropriately attuned to its theme. Titled "Recollections of Busy and Happy and Guided Life," it contains a simple forceful forward by Dr. Harker himself. The latter part of the story, which tells step by step of the development of the local college with the help of many Jacksonville men and women, will be of particular interest to local people. The spirit and ideals of MacMurray college are interjected into the closing pages especially and the outline itself is followed by selected recent addresses. The pictures, both of individuals who played prominent roles in the story and of significant buildings, are excellent representations and add color to the volume.

Draws Admiring Comment.

Appreciative comments from friends and critics have already been received by Dr. Harker. On the jacket are quotations from Miss Olive L. Austin, Dr. John W. Hancher, Dr. Clarence P. McClelland, and Rev. Arthur E. Evert. Following are the expressions of other Jacksonville admirers:

"When citizens of Jacksonville assemble to celebrate the second century of this city there is a name that will be spoken reverently and remembered affectionately with the names of Sturtevant, Beecher, Turner, Baldwin, Duncan and Yates. This name is Joseph R. Harker."

In December, 1931, there has come from the press a book which should be read carefully by every person who loves Jacksonville, who is interested in one of our great institutions, who seeks the intellectual life that has reached the heights through intelligence, toil, study, privation, an indomitable will and a character that is as clean and clear as the sunlight at noonday. "Eventide Memories" by Dr. Joseph R. Harker is the book to which I refer.

The volume is more than an autobiography for it is the record of a life woven into the fabric of a great educational institution, a life that has kept pace with the movement of progressive Christian civilization. Dr. Harker is a Methodist but in his achievements he has overstepped the boundary lines of the great cosmopolitan; a life that has kept pace with the movement of a progressive Christian civilization. Dr. Harker is a Methodist but in his achievements he has overstepped the boundary lines of the great cosmopolitan; a life that has kept pace with the movement of a progressive Christian civilization.

This book is an intimate revelation and expression of a life that has been enriched by seventy-eight years of accomplishment and service. No better volume can be placed in the hands of the Twentieth Century American Youth. The story is fascinating, the idealism is enriching, the trite sayings are thought provoking and the accomplishments almost miraculous.

The Jacksonville friends of Dr. Harker should purchase the entire first edition of this book. For a young man or a young woman it would be a priceless Christmas present.

The book closes with Dr. Harker's Twenty-third Psalm which is a masterpiece. The volume is a splendid fulfillment of the prophecy: "At eventide it shall be light."

M. L. Pontius.

"I cannot tell you how fascinating I have found Dr. Harker's 'Eventide Memories.' It is so gripping in its story, so full of life, so full of the spirit of the college of great interest but we will marvel at the story of his early life and after finishing the last page of the book, admire more than ever before the dreamer who wrote 'Till He Made the Dreams Come True.' Alice Wadsworth Applebee.

SONG RECITAL TO BE PRESENTED AT BLIND SCHOOL

A song recital will be given in the chapel of the Illinois School for the Blind, Friday morning, December 18, at 10 o'clock, according to announcement Saturday. The musical program will be given under the direction of Madeline Klare Sec. Miss Loraine Dewese will be at the piano and Miss Alice Mathis at the organ.

The program follows:

"The Star of Bethlehem"—Handel.

1—Indian Dances—Zamcenik.

2—Deep River, Negro Spiritual.

3—The Lass With the Delicate Air—Arne.

4—The Winds in the South—John P. Scott.

5—Now the Day Is Over—Barney.

6—Organ.

Pastoral Symphony (The Messiah)—Handel.

7—Unfold: Ye Portals—Gounod.

Senior Chorus.

Part Two.

Child Jesus, Christmas Cantata—Joseph Clokey.

1—The Promise (Gregorian Melody).

2—The Apparition to the Shepherds (Traditional).

3—The Star (Polish).

4—The Wise Men (Danish).

5—The Child Jesus (Danish).

6—Adeste Fideles (Old Latin).

ANNOUNCE CAST FOR "THE NATIVITY"

A revised and complete cast of speaking parts for the pageant, "The Nativity" to be given at the Jacksonville High School Sunday afternoon, December 20, at three-thirty o'clock, has been released. The dramatic club, Treble Clef, Boys' Glee club and Girls' Glee club are cooperating in the production of this program.

Miss Frances Brown and Miss Lena Mae Hopper are directing the work. Miss Esther Robinson is in charge of the costumes.

The cast in its final announcement is as follows:

Joseph—Kenneth Chenoweth.

Mary—Mary Mina Thompson.

Prophet—Ned Donahoe.

Shepherds:

Asa—Charles Scott.

Nathan—Linus Updegraff.

Joab—Cedric Mather.

Rebent Women—Catherine Wiswell, Dorothy Conover, Betty Marsh.

Citizens—Leo James, Boyd Haskell.

Wise Men:

Caspar—Devere Brockhouse.

Melchior—John Bunch.

Balthazar—Paul Cooper.

Angels—Marjorie Blackburn, Emeline Harber, Katherine Ward, Ruth Walton, Sarafractions Taylor, Margaret Katherine Lukeman.

Truman Reynolds will serve as stage manager.

There will be no admission fee for the performance.

Waverly.

Waverly, Ill., Dec. 12.—The annual Christmas vesper concert of the W. T. H. S. department of music will be given at 3:30 p. m. Sunday afternoon, December 20th, in the First M. E. church. The high school students will be assisted by Miss Mattie Deatherage who will furnish the organ accompaniments and also present an organ solo.

A mountain ash tree, planted in commemoration of the George Washington bi-centenary was placed in west side of the city park Thursday. The tree was donated by the garden art department of the Woman's club. The planting was done by Nelson Smith, instructor in agriculture at W. T. H. S. and assisted by members of his class. The tree will be formally dedicated at a later date.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Lankton moved Thursday to the E. B. Wyle property, which they recently purchased. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Farwell and family moved to the Duver residence vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Lankton.

Miss Eola Pease was hostess to the Magazine club at her home Wednesday afternoon.

Miss E. E. Conley will entertain the Household Science department of the Woman's club at her home next Friday afternoon.

William Thompson of Ashland spent several hours in Jacksonville yesterday.

AGED RESIDENT OF WAVERLY IS TAKEN BY DEATH

Waverly, Ill., Dec. 13.—B. F. Thomas, aged 76 years, passed away at 12:30 this (Sunday) morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Peebles, death being due to the infirmities of old age.

The deceased was well known in this community and had made his home here for a number of years.

He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. William Peebles, Mrs. George Alderson, of Waverly, Mrs. Robert Woods, Jacksonville, and Mrs. Nettie Belfort, Long Beach, California.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

FIND DYNAMITE BOMB ON ROOF OF LAUNDRY

St. Louis, Dec. 12.—(AP)—A dynamite bomb wrapped in a newspaper and with a fuse attached was found late today on the roof of Glick's laundry plant here by an employee of the company. Members of the police bomb squad who removed the explosive said either the fuse had not been lighted or had gone out.

Lucille Le Krone, manager of the laundry, said there had been no labor trouble at the plant, and that he could ascribe no motive for the attempted bombing.

Two St. Louis laundries were damaged by bombs on December 5th.

William Thompson of Ashland spent several hours in Jacksonville yesterday.

Expect Hundreds At Annual Farm Bureau Meeting Here Monday

Farm Adviser I. E. Parett stated Saturday that between 900 and one thousand farmers and their wives are expected in the city Monday to attend the annual Farm Bureau meeting. The yearly gathering of Farm Bureau members in this county has come to be one of the high marks of the year, each meeting seeing a larger attendance than the previous convention. This year's attendance is expected to be increased.

The ladies of three churches will provide food for the hungry crowd at noon, with dinner being served at Central Christian, Grace M. E., and State Street Presbyterian churches. The day's program will be held at the Central Christian church.

The program for the day follows: 9:30 a. m. Call to Order—F. J. Scholfield, president.

9:35 a. m. Report of Secretary—Frank J. Flynn.

9:45 a. m. Comments—F. J. Scholfield.

10:00 a. m. Report of Treasurer—Frank J. Flynn.

10:10 a. m. Report of Adviser—I. E. Parett.

10:35 a. m. Report of Insurance De-

partment—L. T. Oakley.

Election of Delegates to I. A. A. Farmers Oil Company.

10:45 a. m. Call to Order—C. C. Davis, president.

10:50 a. m. Report of Secretary—Harold McDewitt.

11:05 a. m. Report of Manager—Claude H. Jewsbury.

11:20 a. m. Annual Election of Directors.

11:25 a. m. Remarks—John C. Moore, Organization Mgr. 4th Dist. I. A. A.

Announcements—C. C. Davis.

noon—Annual Dinner.

1:15 p. m. Music.

1:20 p. m. Quartet (Yates Potter directing).

1:30 p. m. Installation of newly elected directors of Farm Bureau and Oil Company.

1:45 p. m. Earl C. Smith, President, Vice-Chairman of Board of Congress Trust and Savings Bank Chicago.

3:00 p. m. Quartet (Yates Potter directing).

3:10 p. m. General Announcements.

3:15 p. m. Adjournment.

CHRISTMAS SEAL TAG DAY SALES TOTAL \$85.87

Christmas Seal Tag Day, an annual event under the general direction of Mrs. Louise A. Schneider, seal sale director, brought in \$85.87 yesterday for the local seal sale fund. Betty Stevenson was chairman of the group of high school and junior high school girls who assisted in the tagging. Mary Hadden was awarded first prize for bringing in the largest amount of money, \$13.26.

Other prize winners were Louise Siegel, Bernice Butler, Helen Leo Woodley, Ruth Margaret Norbury, Esther Eliot, Anna M. Kord, Lacey. The complete list of the girls who assisted in the tagging were Margaret Lacey, Helen Leo Woodley, Helen Russell, Thelma Ellis, Louise Siegel, Bernice Butler, Jeanne Rantz, Ann Spink, Florence Tribble, Ruth Margaret Norbury, Mildred DeFries, Esther Eliot, Verona Wolke,